

Beef Grading Conference

There is a growing consensus that beef grading standards should be modified—in order to make beef more competitive with other foods and to give cattlemen a better opportunity to earn a profit. However, there are different proposals as to how beef might be graded and processed in the future.

This situation was pointed out recently by Gene Schroeder, chairman of the National Cattlemen's Assn. Grading Committee, as he called attention to a National Beef Grading Conference coming up in January.

The conference will be held Jan. 6-8 at Iowa State University, Ames. The conference will be sponsored jointly by ISU, NCA, the Iowa Cattlemen's Assn. and the Iowa Beef Industry Council.

Some 60 speakers—representing cattlemen, scientists, consumers, government and the processing and retailing industries—will be on the program. All aspects of the grading question will be covered. Other subjects will include trends in cattle production, competitive meat merchandising, changes in cattle genetics and new meat technologies.

Schroeder cited demands for leaner beef and also noted the cost of producing beef under the present standards. "If we're going to compete," he said, "we're going to have to be more efficient and also produce a product more acceptable to more consumers."

NCA officials strongly urge members and leaders of the cattle industry to attend the conference in January. Persons interested in more details should contact Frank Arney (303/961-1904), P.O. Box 569, Denver, Colo. 80201, or William Zmolek (515/294-2240), 108 Kildee, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa 50011.



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AN HONOR—Dave Rice (left), Colorado Cattlemen's Assn. executive vice president, presents state representative Forrest G. Burns with a CCA Silver Award. The award, given at the recent CCA mid-winter convention, was in recognition of Burns' "Contributions of untold benefit to Colorado rural communities."

National Western Stock Show

Edwin N. Kruse and J. Patrick Buchen have been named to year-round positions on the staff of the National Western Stock Show, according to General Manager, Charles Sylvester.

Kruse becomes manager of the National Western Livestock Center, which expects to conduct more than \$12,000,000 in sales during the 75th National Western Jan. 14-24.

Buchen, formerly employed by the American Shorthorn Assn. and the American Maine-Aitkin Assn., will serve as administrative assistant to the general manager.

His responsibilities will include coordination of purebred cattle shows, the draft horse show and sales, and the junior livestock sales.

American Farm Bureau Federation

Paul A. Volcker, chairman of the board of governors of the Federal Reserve System, will be a principal speaker at the 62nd annual meeting of the American Farm Bureau Federation, Robert B. Delano, AFBF president announced.

The meeting will be in New Orleans Jan. 11-15, with an expected 800 ranchers and farmers in attendance. Volcker will address the delegates in a general session at the Louisiana Superdome the morning of Jan. 12, Delano said.

Volcker, a native of New Jersey, has been chairman of the Federal Reserve System board since Aug. 6, 1979, at which time he automatically also became chairman of the Federal Open Market Committee and a member of the National Advisory Council on International Monetary and Financial Policies.

Before his appointment to the Federal Reserve System, Volcker spent four years as president and chief executive officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

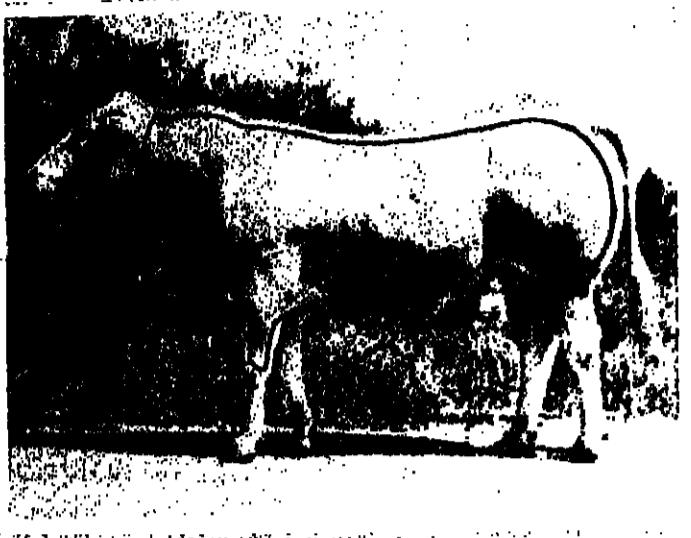
Livestock Marketing Assn.

Veteran livestock marketing businessmen discussing present and future conditions in their industry will be a featured highlight of the 1981 annual meeting of Livestock Marketing Assn.

LMA President Gail Scholer said the Jan. 16-17 meeting to be held in Hilton Head, S.C., will again include the popular "Outlook For Marketing" panel discussion. Nine members of the LMA board of directors, from across the U.S. and Canada, will take part.

Scholer pointed out that the directors will discuss a wide range of topics having an impact on 1981 marketing activities. This will include feed, interest rates, movement of Mississippi River cattle and market patterns.

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Comments

The new administration will have considerable influence on the course of ranching during 1981 and later, but for now stockmen are caught in both a credit crunch and double-digit inflation. Cow Richardson and cow beef prices have dropped dramatically because of a lack of incentive to hold cows or store cow beef with prime interest rates topping 21% in most major banks.

A 21% prime—with, according to a number of financial sources, a higher level possible—is more of a hurdle than the beef market can surmount.

High interest rates deter storage as an alternative for cow beef, and therefore results in the meat moving directly into retail channels, adding to the already large supplies. The burdensome supplies are the result of weekly kill levels that have averaged 670,000 head the last few weeks, compared with less than 600,000 in the spring. Retail marketing channels are being clogged because of the influx of cow beef in the mix of total beef.

Cows were 24% of the total slaughter in November and are running about the same so far in December. This compares to a normal cow kill of about 17-18% of the total beef slaughter, according to packing sources.

The lack of feed, poor conception rates and the high interest rates are forcing stockmen to move cows to market at rates three to four times higher than last year. Cash cow prices have dropped four to five dollars per cwt. in the last 15 days. Terminal market prices are averaging \$40-43 per cwt., compared to \$50 less than three weeks ago.

Cow and cow beef prices are down and will continue to be depressed until the interest rates decline, most industry sources believe.

With interest rates running two to three percent prime, stockmen cannot afford to hold on to cows, and few speculators meat users can afford to buy cow beef in storage.

Because of the large amount of meat available, a probable change will develop in 1981. There is little doubt that in general, stockmen and their families will be much to be thankful for the season. Our holiday meat is sent with best wishes from all of us who love Western Livestock and our cattle.

Richardson

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Retail beef prices will increase an average of 10% in 1981 compared with 1980 prices, the National Cattlemen's Assn. has announced.

Most of the price increase will occur in the spring when total meat production will be decreasing seasonally, the NCA said. Beef supplies and prices are expected to be fairly stable during the rest of the year, the NCA said, with total beef production for 1981 up about one percent from 1980.

Pork production in 1981 will be down slightly from 1980, the NCA said, and will contribute to higher pork and beef prices. The association said poultry production will be up in 1981, but total meat production for the year will be down slightly.

NCA President Merlin Carlson noted that total cattle numbers have been cyclically low the past two years. Rising energy costs, interest rates, feed and other production costs, coupled with decreased demand because of large pork supplies, have financially squeezed cattle producers for more than a year, the NCA said. The result may be delayed herd expansion, Carlson said, and lower beef supplies than is generally expected in the years ahead.

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Fever threat cause of 'rift' in Colorado

A proposal to bring an exotic African livestock virus to the Denver Federal Center for study has stirred some controversy.

Thomas Walton, veterinarian and virologist with the USDA's Anthropod-Borne Animal Diseases Research Laboratory in Denver, wants the virus so he can determine which, if any, American insects can carry it. But he won't proceed with the project unless the Colorado Agriculture Commission approves it.

At this point that doesn't seem likely.

"We have enough damn trouble at home without bringing in bugs from Africa," says Roy Burke of the Colorado Department of Agriculture. "If it is that important, why not send people over to Africa where they already have it?"

Maybe there is only an outside chance that the virus would escape the testing facility, but why take it? I know it is supposed

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A HOLIDAY WISH—Throughout the world, at every hearth, in every home, one prayer... That all men live as brothers and that peace reign everywhere. The entire Western Livestock Journal staff would like to wish each and every one of you the merriest of Christmases.

Economic slowdown effect:

Fears trigger "bearish" futures outlook

Fears of a looming general economic slowdown and the likelihood that U.S. consumers will curtail meat purchases as a result has led to the recent mass exodus of long-term positions from the Chicago Mercantile Exchange. Livestock futures markets, experts said, according to Commodity News Service (CNS).

The attention of market participants has shifted away from the likely decline in meat supplies next year to the consumers' inability to pay retail prices for meat products, said Chuck Levitt, livestock analyst at Shearson Lehman Brothers Inc.

Recession fears have recently emerged in many sectors, fostered mostly by the Federal Reserve's interest rate battle against high inflation and raging money supply growth. In the face of persistently strong monthly

economic growth figures, having barely recovered from a sharp economic slowdown in the second quarter when the Gross National Product fell 9.6%, the recovery is currently being hammered by record interest rates. Just recently, industry prime lending rates were ratcheted up to 20%, and credit market sources said further rises would come as little surprise.

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Levitt said USDA's seven-state cattle-on-feed report showed a decline in spring quarter fed cattle supplies, but high interest rates and a possible economic slowdown should prevent a traditional futures market response, he said.

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The U.S. Supreme Court has declined to consider whether a meat packers group violated antitrust law by refusing to purchase cattle from farmers on an "as-is" basis, reports CNS.

The justices declined to hear the appeal of De Jong, the

packers took the

action to fight an increased surreptitious use of antibiotics by farmers on their herds, which allowed shipment of sick animals that appeared to be in good health.

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By Ace Reid



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Many country crimes unreported; statistics mask national problem

Country crime is worse than law enforcement statistics reveal because of "massive underreporting" of the crimes.

A study just completed of four Missouri counties showed nearly one-fourth of the households sampled had been crime victims during the year preceding the study. Some 15% of the 411 households surveyed had experienced theft; eight percent vandalism.

Of those victimized by theft, only 87% reported the theft.

According to the University of Missouri-Columbia scientists who conducted the study, underreporting of rural crime appears to be a national problem. In 1978, for example, the FBI Uniform Crime Index reported only one out of every 92 Missouri residents was a victim of serious crime. Yet, the UMC study would indicate if there's any effect of owner absenteeism on crime rate.

"We found no difference in crime rate from one area to the other," said Bryan Phifer, director of UMC's community and public sector programs.

"Also, we found no direct correlation between crime rates in open country households and small town households within the same county. The best example was in Bloomfield. It had the lowest rate of victimization among the small towns—though it's in Stoddard County which had the highest rate of open country victimization."

Phifer and his colleagues said the open country residents who have been victims of crime "are surprisingly no more likely to take precautions to prevent crime than those open country residents who have not been victims."

In their report, "Rural Crime in Missouri," the scientists said: "Clearly, these patterns of infrequent reporting and neglect of precautions suggest the need for citizen education programs."

"They went on to say that one of the most effective measures to combat crime in both urban and rural areas is the organization of 'neighborhood' crime watches."

Other effective measures for combating rural crime, the scientists were reporting on

Federal plan to boost hydroelectric facilities

Rural communities who wish to reduce their utility bills by building or reactivating small hydroelectric generating facilities may get a boost from a new federal program announced by the White House. Under the program, Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) low interest loans will be made available for hydroelectric projects. FmHA is a credit agency of the USDA.

The program will help small rural communities, British economist:

Exporters must up skill to achieve market goals

U.S. beef exporters must increase their efforts and marketing skills in order to achieve current export goals to EEC countries, according to Robert Bansback, deputy chief economist for the British Meat and Livestock Commission.

"Although I am convinced that a market should be there for such a relatively small quantity, it will certainly not be an easy job, particularly in the relatively depressed [price] EEC market outlook for 1981," Bansback said at the annual U.S. Meat Export Federation seminar held recently in Chicago.

He also said he expects

many of which operate their own generating facilities, to re-build. Those in areas of less than 10,000 population would be eligible for Farmers Home assistance under the agency's community facility program.

The change of regulation specifies that loans can be made to: restore deactivated dams and hydroelectric generators; enlarge or improve existing plants; and construct new facilities.

The Department of Energy has identified over 3000 small dams which were once used for hydroelectric power and are considered

promising to re-build. Those in areas of less than 10,000 population would be eligible for Farmers Home assistance under the agency's community facility program.

FmHA will process loan applications in the same manner as for any other community facility loan, including the determination that other credit is not available at reasonable rates and terms. These FmHA loans carry an interest rate of five percent

for up to 40 years. FmHA also can finance connecting lines to the nearest practical point of an existing system.

Potential loan applicants are to be public bodies, such as municipalities, counties, districts, authorities or other subdivisions of a state. Nonprofit organizations such as associations and cooperatives also will be eligible if they have legal authority to operate such facilities.

"Agriculture: It's Your Heartbeat, America!"

This is the theme for the nationwide observance of "Agriculture Day" scheduled for Thursday, March 19, 1981. Volunteers from all parts of the country will join together in a coordinated effort to tell the story of what agriculture means to America. Ag Day is supported by a broad range of companies, organizations and individuals throughout the U.S.

support and understanding of the American people," continued Lanphier. "It's essential that the American public understand that their economic future is tied directly to the health of our agricultural system."

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USDA aims at regulation to govern deboned label

The USDA will publish before the end of the year proposed regulations governing the labeling of mechanically deboned meat and poultry, a USDA official told CNS.

Bransback said EEC beef production in 1981 is likely to decline slightly because of lower production in the U.K. and Irish Republic.

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Grumby said the proposed regulation would reduce the current disparity in labeling requirements between mechanically deboned meat and mechanically deboned poultry. However, he would not comment on whether the draft version of the proposed regulations would eliminate the requirement that mechanically deboned meat labels state that the product contains a certain amount of ground bone.

At present, USDA has one set of labeling requirements for mechanically deboned meat and a separate set for mechanically deboned poultry. The current regulations stipulate that products containing mechanically deboned red meat must be labeled "mechanically processed (beef or pork) product." The product's label also must state that the product contains a certain amount of ground bone.

"About 80% of the feeder cattle in this country come from herds of 60 cows or less. It's hard for the producer to appreciate the care and processing these calves need to get to be properly immunized for the diseases they'll be exposed to in the marketing process," according to Fairbairn.

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of mandatory immunization procedures at four months of age, and at least two weeks before selling, of Clostridial immunization and IFR, PI immunization. Optional immunization procedures will include BVD, Pasteurella, Seven-way Clostridial, Lepto, Vitamin A, Haemophilus somnus. Other aspects of the program will include internal and external parasite control, weaning and bunk adjustments to reduce stress.

Each pre-conditioned calf will be identified by a special numbered ear tag the last time through the chute. In addition, each group of calves will be accompanied by a certificate recording the tag numbers, signed by the producer and the vet who supervised producer's program. The certificates will include such information as costs involved, if they've been dehorned, implanted, and dates. Records will be filed in the KVMA office in Manhattan, and the KLA office in Topeka.

"The program will consist of a supervised, uniform

KLA starts program for pre-conditioning

By MARTHA WILLIAMS

The Kansas Livestock Assn. (KLA) and the Kansas Veterinary Medical Assn. (KVMA) announced the implementation of the calf pre-conditioning program to help the livestock industry in controlling parasites and respiratory diseases in weaner calves.

In a press conference at the recent KLA convention in Wichita, Leighton Fairbairn, Garden City veterinarian and KVMA president and Harold Fankhauser of Madison, chairman of the cow-calf stocker council, said that the cost of sick treatment, weight loss and death loss in weaner calves is estimated to be about one to three billion dollars annually.

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a condition as possible. However, buyers frequently overlook the immediate health status, prior immunization, and management practices of the animals they buy. Success rates vary considerably with newly received cattle, some win and some lose," he continued.

"It doesn't take much when you lose a \$400 to \$500 calf to buy a lot of vaccine," he pointed out. In cost analysis, it may not be as much a premium to have the program, as a penalty not to according to the veterinarian.

Fairbairn attributed increases associated with marketing of newly weaned calves health to antibiotic development slowing down.

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Economy darkens bullish COF report

THE BULLISH CATTLE ON FEED report is not expected to affect near term cattle prices, but it may improve cattle feeder attitudes, said Joe Kropf, an analyst with Livestock Business Advisory Service, Inc.

The total number of cattle and calves on feed on Dec. 1 in the seven major producing states totaled 7.96 million head, down four percent from a year earlier and down 16% from Dec. 1, 1978, the USDA reported.

Even though it was slightly bullish, soaring interest rates and related turmoil in the commodity futures markets may overshadow its bright points. Analysts had anticipated a fundamental weakness in the market place last week but nothing like the casualty list on prices.

"The placement figures show an unwillingness to place cattle in the face of high feed costs and relatively high interest rates plus declining finished cattle prices," said Chuck Levitt, a livestock analyst with Shearson Loeb Rhodes Inc., John Kleist, a livestock analyst with Bachelder Halsey Stuart Shields Inc., pointed out that while the November marketing's number is below the year-earlier figure, it is also below most analysts' expectations. This indicates that the backup and heavyweight cattle problem in the Corn Belt is not entirely cleaned up, he said.

"The marketing's figure indicates that we're not out of the woods and probably won't be until next year," Kleist said.

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TORRINGTON LIVESTOCK COMMISSION CO.,
Torrington, Wyo., Dec. 10, 12

10,380 head received: Feeder steers choice 300-400 lbs. \$80-94; 400-500 lbs. \$78-88; 500-600 lbs. \$75-82; Feeder heifers, choices 300-400 lbs. \$80-90; 400-500 lbs. \$78-88; 500-600 lbs. \$76-87; 600-700 lbs. \$83-88; Slaughter cows, ut. and comm. \$33-43; cutter and cutter \$34-41; Slaughter bulls, YG 1 50-54; YG 2 \$46-51; Replacements, pairs \$300-600.

MCKINLEY-WINTER
Fort Dodge, Kan., Dec. 11

5,400 head received: Feeder steers, md. frame 1 300-400 lbs. \$74-80; 400-500 lbs. \$72-77; 500-600 lbs. \$72-74; 600-700 lbs. \$70-50; Md. and lg. frame 1-2 200-300 lbs. \$72-83; 300-400 lbs. \$69-50; 400-500 lbs. \$68-75; 500-600 lbs. \$67-72; 550-700 lbs. \$66-72; 650-800 lbs. \$65-75; 750-900 lbs. \$64-70; 850-1000 lbs. \$63-74; 950-1100 lbs. \$62-65; 1050-1200 lbs. \$61-64; 1250-1400 lbs. \$60-63; 1450-1550 lbs. \$59-62; 1550-1700 lbs. \$58-61; 1700-1800 lbs. \$57-60; 1800-1900 lbs. \$56-60; 1900-2000 lbs. \$55-58; 2000-2100 lbs. aged cows \$42.25-47; middle aged with calves \$50-54; per pair. \$505-545 per pair.

AMARILLO LIVESTOCK AUCTION
Amarillo, Texas, Dec. 16

5,015 head received: Feeder steers, md. frame 1 300-510 lbs. \$72-74; 500-700 lbs. \$70-50; 700-800 lbs. \$70-50; 800-900 lbs. \$70-50; 900-1000 lbs. \$70-50; 1000-1100 lbs. \$70-50; 1100-1200 lbs. \$70-50; 1200-1300 lbs. \$70-50; 1300-1400 lbs. \$70-50; 1400-1500 lbs. \$70-50; 1500-1600 lbs. \$70-50; 1600-1700 lbs. \$70-50; 1700-1800 lbs. \$70-50; 1800-1900 lbs. \$70-50; 1900-2000 lbs. \$70-50; 2000-2100 lbs. \$70-50; 2100-2200 lbs. \$70-50; 2200-2300 lbs. \$70-50; 2300-2400 lbs. \$70-50; 2400-2500 lbs. \$70-50; 2500-2600 lbs. \$70-50; 2600-2700 lbs. \$70-50; 2700-2800 lbs. \$70-50; 2800-2900 lbs. \$70-50; 2900-3000 lbs. \$70-50; 3000-3100 lbs. \$70-50; 3100-3200 lbs. \$70-50; 3200-3300 lbs. \$70-50; 3300-3400 lbs. \$70-50; 3400-3500 lbs. \$70-50; 3500-3600 lbs. \$70-50; 3600-3700 lbs. \$70-50; 3700-3800 lbs. \$70-50; 3800-3900 lbs. \$70-50; 3900-4000 lbs. \$70-50; 4000-4100 lbs. \$70-50; 4100-4200 lbs. \$70-50; 4200-4300 lbs. \$70-50; 4300-4400 lbs. \$70-50; 4400-4500 lbs. \$70-50; 4500-4600 lbs. \$70-50; 4600-4700 lbs. \$70-50; 4700-4800 lbs. \$70-50; 4800-4900 lbs. \$70-50; 4900-5000 lbs. \$70-50; 5000-5100 lbs. \$70-50; 5100-5200 lbs. \$70-50; 5200-5300 lbs. \$70-50; 5300-5400 lbs. \$70-50; 5400-5500 lbs. \$70-50; 5500-5600 lbs. \$70-50; 5600-5700 lbs. \$70-50; 5700-5800 lbs. \$70-50; 5800-5900 lbs. \$70-50; 5900-6000 lbs. \$70-50; 6000-6100 lbs. \$70-50; 6100-6200 lbs. \$70-50; 6200-6300 lbs. \$70-50; 6300-6400 lbs. \$70-50; 6400-6500 lbs. \$70-50; 6500-6600 lbs. \$70-50; 6600-6700 lbs. \$70-50; 6700-6800 lbs. \$70-50; 6800-6900 lbs. \$70-50; 6900-7000 lbs. \$70-50; 7000-7100 lbs. \$70-50; 7100-7200 lbs. \$70-50; 7200-7300 lbs. \$70-50; 7300-7400 lbs. \$70-50; 7400-7500 lbs. \$70-50; 7500-7600 lbs. \$70-50; 7600-7700 lbs. \$70-50; 7700-7800 lbs. \$70-50; 7800-7900 lbs. \$70-50; 7900-8000 lbs. \$70-50; 8000-8100 lbs. \$70-50; 8100-8200 lbs. \$70-50; 8200-8300 lbs. \$70-50; 8300-8400 lbs. \$70-50; 8400-8500 lbs. \$70-50; 8500-8600 lbs. \$70-50; 8600-8700 lbs. \$70-50; 8700-8800 lbs. \$70-50; 8800-8900 lbs. \$70-50; 8900-9000 lbs. \$70-50; 9000-9100 lbs. \$70-50; 9100-9200 lbs. \$70-50; 9200-9300 lbs. \$70-50; 9300-9400 lbs. \$70-50; 9400-9500 lbs. \$70-50; 9500-9600 lbs. \$70-50; 9600-9700 lbs. \$70-50; 9700-9800 lbs. \$70-50; 9800-9900 lbs. \$70-50; 9900-10000 lbs. \$70-50; 10000-10100 lbs. \$70-50; 10100-10200 lbs. \$70-50; 10200-10300 lbs. \$70-50; 10300-10400 lbs. \$70-50; 10400-10500 lbs. \$70-50; 10500-10600 lbs. \$70-50; 10600-10700 lbs. \$70-50; 10700-10800 lbs. \$70-50; 10800-10900 lbs. \$70-50; 10900-11000 lbs. \$70-50; 11000-11100 lbs. \$70-50; 11100-11200 lbs. \$70-50; 11200-11300 lbs. \$70-50; 11300-11400 lbs. \$70-50; 11400-11500 lbs. \$70-50; 11500-11600 lbs. \$70-50; 11600-11700 lbs. \$70-50; 11700-11800 lbs. \$70-50; 11800-11900 lbs. \$70-50; 11900-12000 lbs. \$70-50; 12000-12100 lbs. \$70-50; 12100-12200 lbs. \$70-50; 12200-12300 lbs. \$70-50; 12300-12400 lbs. \$70-50; 12400-12500 lbs. \$70-50; 12500-12600 lbs. \$70-50; 12600-12700 lbs. \$70-50; 12700-12800 lbs. \$70-50; 12800-12900 lbs. \$70-50; 12900-13000 lbs. \$70-50; 13000-13100 lbs. \$70-50; 13100-13200 lbs. \$70-50; 13200-13300 lbs. \$70-50; 13300-13400 lbs. \$70-50; 13400-13500 lbs. \$70-50; 13500-13600 lbs. \$70-50; 13600-13700 lbs. \$70-50; 13700-13800 lbs. \$70-50; 13800-13900 lbs. \$70-50; 13900-14000 lbs. \$70-50; 14000-14100 lbs. \$70-50; 14100-14200 lbs. \$70-50; 14200-14300 lbs. \$70-50; 14300-14400 lbs. \$70-50; 14400-14500 lbs. \$70-50; 14500-14600 lbs. \$70-50; 14600-14700 lbs. \$70-50; 14700-14800 lbs. \$70-50; 14800-14900 lbs. \$70-50; 14900-15000 lbs. \$70-50; 15000-15100 lbs. \$70-50; 15100-15200 lbs. \$70-50; 15200-15300 lbs. \$70-50; 15300-15400 lbs. \$70-50; 15400-15500 lbs. \$70-50; 15500-15600 lbs. \$70-50; 15600-15700 lbs. \$70-50; 15700-15800 lbs. \$70-50; 15800-15900 lbs. \$70-50; 15900-16000 lbs. \$70-50; 16000-16100 lbs. \$70-50; 16100-16200 lbs. \$70-50; 16200-16300 lbs. \$70-50; 16300-16400 lbs. \$70-50; 16400-16500 lbs. \$70-50; 16500-16600 lbs. \$70-50; 16600-16700 lbs. \$70-50; 16700-16800 lbs. \$70-50; 16800-16900 lbs. \$70-50; 16900-17000 lbs. \$70-50; 17000-17100 lbs. \$70-50; 17100-17200 lbs. \$70-50; 17200-17300 lbs. \$70-50; 17300-17400 lbs. \$70-50; 17400-17500 lbs. \$70-50; 17500-17600 lbs. \$70-50; 17600-17700 lbs. \$70-50; 17700-17800 lbs. \$70-50; 17800-17900 lbs. \$70-

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